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Sir:

Responsive to the non-final Office Action mailed on January 19, 2006, please reconsider this application in view of the amendments and remarks set forth in this paper. As this paper is timely filed within the three-month shortened statutory period for response, no fee accompanies this paper.

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

The amendments to the specification are set forth on pages 2 to 5 of this paper.

AMENDMENT TO THE FIGURES

The amendment to the figures is described on page 6 of this paper.

LISTING OF THE CLAIMS

The listing of the claims is set forth on pages 7 to 11 of this paper.

REMARKS:

Applicants' comments in support of this application are presented in the remarks set forth on pages 12 to 14 of this paper.

ATTACHMENTS:

The Replacement Sheet for Figure 2 is attached to the end of this paper.